

ATTACHMENT F

Child Welfare League of America (CWLA) Standards

Child Protective Services

Initial Assessment/Investigation: 12 active cases per month per 1 caseworker

Ongoing cases: 17 active families per 1 social worker, and no more than 1 new case assigned for every 6 open cases

Combined Assessment/Investigation and Ongoing cases:

10 active on-going cases and 4 active investigations per 1 caseworker

Supervision: 1 supervisor per 5 social workers

Adoption

The following recommended caseload standards are excerpted from the CWLA Standards of Excellence for Adoption Services (Revised 2000). _

Counseling birth families, preparing and assessing adoptive applicants for infant placements and supporting these families following placement:

20-25 families per 1 caseworker

Preparing and assessing adoptive applicants for the placement of children who are older or have special needs and supporting these families following placement:

10-12 children per 1 caseworker

Preparing children for adoption who are older or who have special needs:

10-12 children per 1 caseworker

Assessing and preparing adoptive applicants for intercountry adoption:

30-35 families per 1 caseworker

The average caseload (children) for DYFS Adoption Resource Centers is 19 per 1 caseworker.

